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(54) BALE LOADER

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(57) ABSTRACT

A bale loading arm for use with a bale carrying vehicle includes a loading frame, a device for pivoting the loading frame, a pivot member, a device for rotating the pivot member, a bale grasper having a grasper arm and a device for rotating the grasper arm. The bale grasper includes a pair of opposed paddles, one of which is movable to receive and grasp a bale. The bale grasper, pivot member and loading frame are movable to grasp a bale lying on the ground and position it above the bale carrying vehicle where it may be released.

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